

Claims 1-5, 9, 10 and 12-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as unpatentable over May et al. in view of Siemens. Claim 11 was rejected under Section 103 as unpatentable over May et al. in view of Siemens and the publication entitled "The front, a hand held computer."

In response, it is submitted that independent Claims 1 and 4 are allowable over the art applied against them, for at least the following reasons.

Claims 1 and 4, as amended, are directed to an information processing apparatus having storage means for storing a document to be transmitted, wherein control means perform control of transmitting the document to be transmitted stored in the storage means on the basis of a phone number searched for by searching means. These features are also included in allowed Claim 6. Further, Claim 1 has been amended to recite that the display means displays image information read by reading means and character data recognized by recognizing means, features from cancelled Claim 2.

In view of the allowance of Claim 6 and based on Applicants understanding of May et al. and Siemens, Applicants respectfully submit that neither May et al. nor Siemens, whether taken alone or in combination, are seen to teach or suggest the present invention as set forth in amended Claims 1 and 4. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that independent Claims 1 and 4 are now patentable